

## **PCI Comments**

General Comments from all hospitals

Caritas Norwood Hospital  
Lahey Clinic  
Massachusetts General Hospital

### **Caritas Norwood Hospital**

Caritas Norwood is one of 6 community hospitals in Massachusetts providing emergency angioplasty for the treatment of acute myocardial infarction. A volume above 36/year is considered acceptable to maintain expertise according to existing literature and the State.

### **Lahey Clinic**

Lahey Clinic actively participated in the state quality report card for coronary artery bypass graft outcomes and is recognized among Massachusetts's teaching hospitals as a longstanding leader in heart surgery.

### **Massachusetts General Hospital**

We are pleased that the state is using the mortality statistics that are endorsed by the American College of Cardiology and analyzed with expert statistical consultation from the Massachusetts Data Analysis Center (MassDAC). Doctors and nurses collect these data; we believe this results in far more accurate reporting than the reports derived from administrative billing data.